

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

We believe that I am the original, first and single inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**AUTOMATED RIG CONTROL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**," the specification of which is filed concurrently.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to use which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56, including, for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 (a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

NUMBER	COUNTRY	(DAY/MONTH/YEAR FILED)	PRIORITY CLAIMED
_____	_____	_____	YES _____ NO _____

We hereby claim benefit under Title 35, USC, Sec. 120 of any United States application, or under Title 35, USC Sec. 119(e) of any provisional application, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in any prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, USC, Sec. 112. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Sec. 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


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